

**Kirkland Transportation Commission
Meeting Notes
Wednesday June 27, 2012**

Call to Order

Chair Pfundt called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Members Present: Tom Pendergrass, Colin Pate, Carl Wilson, John Perlic, Mike Snow. Kirkland Staff Present: Ray Steiger, Dave Godfrey, Public Works Department

Approval of meeting notes from April 25 and March 28, 2012 meetings .

Approved as presented. The May 2012 meeting was cancelled.

Public Comment

Johanna Palmer; Chair of the Evergreen Hill Neighborhood Association spoke about the speed study conducted on 132nd Avenue NE at the request of the Neighborhood Association. She requested that the Transportation Commission take no action at this time so that the Neighborhood Association could further discuss the matter and come to a consensus about a position. **Robert Scheuerman;** Stated that the City Manager had been talking to the Iowa Pacific Railroad. He further stated that the mention of rail stations at the last Commission meeting might have been related to this. He also said that he is still working on a Kirkland-centered rail program. **Georgina Foster;** made the Commission aware of a walk along the Cross Kirkland Corridor to be sponsored by the Eastside Trail Association. The walk is part of the SummerFest and will be held from 9:00 to 2:00 on August 11. Ms. Foster also mentioned the Yakima Greenway Trail as a model for Corridor development.

Potential Ballot measure for streets

Ray Steiger reported on the measure currently being considered by the City Council. It would raise approximately \$3m annually by raising property tax of \$98/year on a typical residential property. 90% of this funding would be used for pavement management and 5% each for improving school walk routes and pedestrian safety/neighborhood traffic control. Council is scheduled to vote on the package on July 17.

132nd Avenue Speed Study

Staff made the presentation that was given to the Evergreen Hill Neighborhood Association on June 20. (see Public Comment above). The Commission discussed the information and asked staff to bring this item back for consideration after the neighborhood association reaches a conclusion on their position. At that time the Commission would also like to know what the speed limit is on other portions of 132nd Avenue and on surrounding streets.

Cross Kirkland Corridor

Commission reviewed the memo presented by Staff. The Commission agreed that the Draft Master Plan scope should be recommended to Council along with a proposal to remove rails and construct an interim trail. If funding is needed for both of trail construction and planning, the priority for funding should go to construction. The Commission stated that these actions were in keeping with the Interest Statement.

Level of Service/Concurrency

Commission reviewed a draft memo to Council recapping the work done by the Commission on level of service concurrency, and project evaluation. The Commission reviewed and made suggestions for change including: use an example to better explain the process so that it's benefits can be understood, fill in all the boxes on the table of project prioritization. Emphasize that we have holes but that we also the aspects of the system that work.

Updates from Commissioners and Staff

Staff reported on Puget Sound Bike Share, the upcoming closure of 108th Avenue NE and the July 11 event at the Kirkland Arts Center regarding the CKC. **Pendergrass:** Reported on success of Bike to work day at Children's and UW. Commented on Bike Share in Europe. **Perlic:** Thanked Georgine Foster for the work of the Eastside Trail Advocates. **Pate:** Commented on the role of electric bikes in Bike Share programs.

Meeting adjourned Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:15 p.m.